

WRIGHTSVILLE

YORK COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

WRIGHTSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING

MONDAY, AUGUST 3, 2020

Borough Chambers
601 Water Street
Wrightsville, PA

In attendance: Council President White, Vice President Smith, Councilman Bair, Councilman Gromling, Councilman Kirkessner, Mayor Albert, Solicitor Nahass, Treasurer Brenner, Engineer Klinedinst, Secretary Hoff

Participating by phone conference line: Councilman McDonald, Adam Marden- Susquehanna Valley Emergency Medical Services Operations Manager

Council President White called the Regular Meeting of the Wrightsville Borough governing body to order at 6:32pm and led the salute to the American Flag.

PATRONS:

Mel McDonald:

Mrs. McDonald stated to those in attendance and members of council “the town looks like hell and it is getting worse”.

Chris Leiphart:

Mr. Leiphart introduced himself to those in attendance as a representative from Eastern York Rotary Club and asked members of council if a meeting with Rotary Club could be scheduled before any 4th of July festivities would be planned for 2021. President White acknowledged Mr. Leiphart’s request. Mr. Leiphart thanked borough council for their assistance during the event that was hindered greatly by COVID-19. President White presented Eastern York Rotary Club with a \$622.50 donation to assist with 2021 4th of July festivities noting that the money was raised by other vendors who attended event in 2020. Each vendor who attended the event donated a percentage of their sales collected during 4th of July festivities.

ACTION ITEMS:

Councilman Bair made a motion to approve entertainment permit for Burning Bridge Tavern for August 7,8,14,15,21,22,28,29, 2020 from 4pm-9pm. Councilman Gromling seconded the motion. Councilman McDonald opposed the motion. Motion passed with a 5-1 vote.

Vice President Smith made a motion to approve closing North Front Street from Hellam Street to Walnut Street on August 7,8,14,15,21,22,28,29, 2020 from 4pm-9pm. Councilman Bair seconded the motion. Councilman McDonald opposed the motion. Motion passed with a 5-1 vote.

MEETING MINUTES:

Vice President Smith made a motion to approve the July 6, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes. Councilman Bair seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Vice President Smith made a motion to approve the July 20, 2020 Planning Meeting Minutes. Councilman Bair seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Zoning:

No report was provided with meeting materials. Council President relayed to members of council that Code Administrators has submitted a letter of resignation effective August 31, 2020. Code Administrators will no longer provide zoning services and property maintenance enforcement for borough.

Fire:

Report was provided with monthly meeting materials. Chief Livelsberger relayed report highlights to those in attendance. Chief stated that COVID -19 has taken a toll on fire department fundraising events and they are trying to adapt and overcome the obstacles in order to host fundraising events.

Police:

No report was provided with monthly meeting materials.

Ambulance:

Report was provided with monthly meeting materials. Mr. Marden relayed report highlights to those in attendance.

Streets & Parks:

Report was provided with monthly meeting materials.

Engineer:

Report was provided with the monthly meeting materials. Engineer Klinedinst relayed the report highlights to those in attendance.

Treasurer:

Report was provided with the monthly meeting materials. Treasurer Brenner relayed highlights of the report to those in attendance.

Councilman Bair made a motion to approve the check register for the month of July 2020. Councilman Gromling seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Vice President Smith made a motion to approve the financial report for the month of July 2020. Councilman Bair seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with unanimous vote.

Mayor:

No report

Solicitor:

Solicitor Nahass relayed to members of council that pending their approval he will file a petition with the Liquor Control Board (LCB) to substitute the Borough's Municipal Noise Ordinance for the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board Statutory Section 47P.S. §4-496(34). Solicitor Nahass provided resolution 2020-19 for council to review noting if an approval is made, the resolution and petition would be sent to LCB for their review.

Councilman Bair made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-19, a resolution authorizing petition to the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board to substitute the Wrightsville Borough Noise Ordinance for the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board Statutory Section 47 P.S. §4-493(34). Councilman Gromling seconded the motion. Councilman McDonald was opposed to motion. Motion passed with a 5-1 vote.

Councilman Gromling noted to members of council that he believes that the noise ordinance is vague and changes should be considered. VP Smith noted to those in attendance that he is in favor of local controls within borough.

Mr. Steve Conti, Operations Manager- Burning Bridge Tavern joined in conversation about noise complaints noting that there has been no noise complaints in over 8 years at the tavern.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE:

Vice President Smith relayed to members of council and those in attendance that he spoke with a representative from Commonwealth Code on Thursday, July 30, 2020 and asked for information on zoning and property maintenance services they offer. VP Smith announced that he had not received any information from Commonwealth Code to share during the August council meeting. VP Smith stated that he will follow up with his inquiry made to Commonwealth Code and forward information to council upon receipt.

Treasurer Brenner shared with council that he received information from York Adams Tax Bureau (YATB) indicating that they are anticipating a \$3,018,000.00 shortfall in revenue

county wide and an unemployment rate of 12.2% due to COVID pandemic. Treasurer Brenner informed council that YATB provided an anticipated 7.5% decrease in revenue collected for Wrightsville Borough for year ending 2020. Treasurer Brenner said that will be equivalent to approximately \$30,000.

PUBLIC WORKS:

No report

PUBLIC SAFETY:

President White relayed to members of council that contract negotiations will begin with Hellam Township Police Department. Current contract for police services ends December 31, 2021.

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

No report

PARKS & RECREATION:

No report

PERSONNEL:

No report

COMPLAINT COMMITTEE:

No report

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:

No additional business

ADJOURNMENT

Vice President Smith made a motion to adjourn the August 3, 2020 Regular meeting at 8:13pm. Councilman Gromling seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammie Hoff
Borough Secretary

